Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application:

1    1. (Currently Amended) A method for data sharing, comprising:

2        storing private data within a private data memory associated with a first sharing partner;

3        selecting a portion of the private data to provide a private data portion;

4        selecting one or more sharing partners associated with the first sharing partner;

5        associating the private data portion with the one or more selected sharing partners; and

6        replicating the selected data portion to each one of the one or more selected sharing

7    partners as respective replicated data on respective write-only data paths.


1    2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the associating the private data portion

2    with the the one or more selected sharing partner partners further includes:

3        creating a data tag, including one or more of a first sharing partner tag portion associated

4    with the first sharing partner, a selected sharing partners tag portion associated with the one or

5    more selected sharing partners, an a data identifier tag portion, and a data time identifier tag

6    portion; and

7        associating the data tag with the private data portion to provide tagged private data.


1    3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein the associating the private data portion

2    with the one or more selected sharing partners further includes:

3        creating a copy of the tagged private data to provide a tagged private data copy; and

4        placing the tagged private data copy into a first shared data memory associated with the

5    first sharing partner to a provide a tagged shared data copy; and

6        associating the tagged shared data copy with a respective one of the one or more selected

7    sharing partners indicated by the selected sharing partners tag portion.

1    4. (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 3, wherein replicating the selected data portion to

2    the one or more selected sharing partners further includes :

3    ~~copying~~ copying the tagged shared data copy to a second shared data memory associated with the

4    respective one of the one or more selected sharing partners on a respective one of the write-only

5    data paths to provide a tagged replicated data copy.


1    5. (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 4, wherein the copying further includes copying

2    the tagged shared data copy ~~with a~~on the write-only data ~~connection~~path between the first shared

3    data memory and the second shared data memory.


1    6. (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 3~~2~~, wherein replicating the selected data portion

2    to the one or more selected sharing partners further includes copying the tagged private data

3    copy to ~~the~~ a second shared data memory associated with ~~the~~ a respective one of the one or more

4    selected sharing partners to provide ~~the~~ a tagged replicated data copy.


1    7. (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 6, wherein the copying further includes copying

2    the tagged private data copy ~~with a~~on a respective one of the write-only data ~~connection~~paths

3    between the first private data memory and the second shared data memory.


1    8. (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 4~~3~~, further including altering at least one of the

2    private data portion, the data tag, the tagged private data, the tagged private data copy, the tagged

3    shared data copy, ~~and/or~~and the tagged replicated data copy.


1    9. (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 8~~4~~, ~~wherein altering further includes~~ further

2    including automatically updating at least one of the tagged private data, the tagged private data

3    copy, the tagged shared data copy, ~~and/or~~and the tagged replicated data copy ~~to match~~in

4    accordance with the private data portion when the private data portion is altered by the first

5    sharing partner.

1    10. (Original)  The method of claim 8, wherein altering the data tag further includes selecting

2    the one or more sharing partners with a graphical user interface associated with the data tag and

3    the first sharing partner.


1    11. (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 10, wherein the selecting the one or more

2    sharing partners further includes altering the selected sharing partners tag portion with the

3    graphical user interface.


1    12. (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 8, further including automatically changing the

2    tagged shared data copy, and the tagged replicated data copy to match thein accordance with the

3    tagged private data copy when the tagged private data copy is altered by the first sharing partner.


1    13. (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 1, wherein the first sharing partner and the one

2    or more selected sharing partners correspond toare associated with military allies, and the private

3    data portion corresponds to military data associated with the first sharing partner.


1    14. (Original)  The method of claim 13, wherein the military allies are located in different

2    countries.


1    15. (Currently Amended)  A data sharing apparatus comprising:

2            a first sharing partner further-including:

3                    a first client computer; and

4                    a first sharing partner server coupled to the first client computer, wherein

5                the first sharing partner server further-includes a first private data memory

6                containing-having a private data portion portion and a private data copy coupled

7                to a first shared data memory to provide a first shared data copy; and

8            one or morea second sharing partners-partner associated with the first sharing partnerwith

9    , the second sharing partner-including:

10                    a second client computer associated with a respective one of the one or

11                more sharing partners; and

12          a second sharing partner server coupled to the second client computer; and

13          a write-only data path coupled between the first sharing partner and the second sharing

14   partner to allow the first sharing partner to write replicated data to the second sharing partner.


1    16. (Currently Amended)  The data sharing apparatus of claim 15, wherein the first sharing

2    partner server further includes a first shared data memory adapted to receive copied data in

3    accordance with the private data portion and wherein the second sharing partner server

4    comprises:includes a second private data memory coupled to a second shared data memory

5    adapted to receive the replicated data in accordance with the copied data from the first shared

6    data memory on the write-only data path.; and

7          a shared memory write-only data path from the first shared data memory to the second

8    shared data memory, for coupling the first shared data copy to the second shared memory to

9    provide a replicated data copy.


1    17. (Currently Amended)  The data sharing apparatus of claim 15, wherein the second sharing

2    partner server comprises :

3    a second private data memory coupled to a second shared data memory adapted to receive the

4    replicated data in accordance with the private data portion from the private data memory on the

5    write-only data path; and

6          a private memory write-only data path from the first private data memory to the second

7    shared data memory, that couples the private data copy to the second shared data memory to

8    provide the replicated data copy.


1    18. (Currently Amended)  The data sharing apparatus of claim 15, wherein the one or more

2    selected sharing partners correspond toare associated with military allies, and the first private

3    data portion corresponds to military data.


1    19. (Original)  The data sharing apparatus of claim 18, wherein the military allies are in different

2    countries.

1    20. (New)  The method of claim 4, further including automatically updating the tagged

2    replicated data copy in accordance with the private data portion when the private data portion is

3    altered by the first sharing partner.


1    21. (New)     The method of claim 1, further including automatically updating the replicated

2    data in accordance with the private data portion when the private data portion is altered by the

3    first sharing partner.


1    22. (New)     The method of claim 21, further including:

2           de-selecting one of the selected one or more sharing partners; and

3           stopping the automatic updating of the respective replicated data to the de-selected

4    sharing partner in response to the de-selecting.


1    23. (New)     The data sharing apparatus of claim 15, further including a second write-only data

2    path coupled between the second sharing partner server and the first sharing partner server to

3    allow the second sharing partner to write second replicated data to the first sharing partner.